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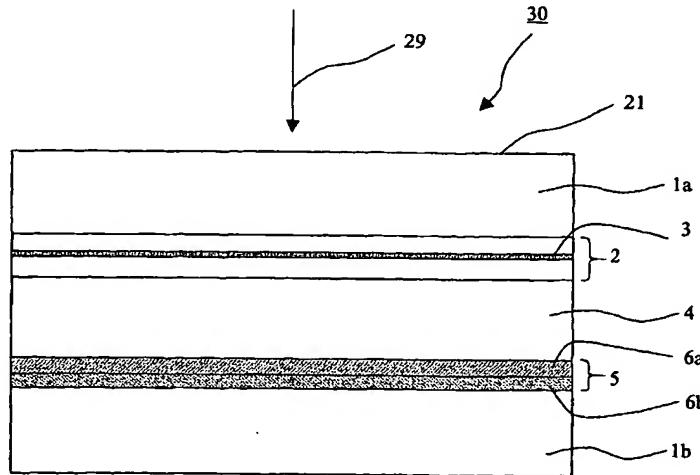
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(54) Title: DUAL STACK OPTICAL DATA STORAGE MEDIUM AND USE OF SUCH MEDIUM



(57) **Abstract:** A dual stack optical data storage medium (30) for recording and reading by means of a focused radiation beam (29) is described. The beam enters the medium (30) through a first radiation beam entrance face (21). The medium has at least a first substrate (1a) with on at least one side of the first substrate (1a) a first layer stack (2), comprising a first information layer (3), a second layer stack (5), comprising a second information layer (4). The second layer stack (5) is present at a position more remote from the first radiation beam entrance face (21) than the first layer stack (2). A first transparent spacer layer (4) is present between the first layer stack (2) and the second layer stack (5). The first information layer (3) is a read only type layer or an organic write once type layer, and the second layer stack (5) consists of maximally three adjacent layers of an inorganic metallic material. In this way an optical data storage medium (30) is achieved which is compatible with a dual stack ROM version of said medium and which has a simple second layer stack (5).